UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA
October 15th, 2026, 7:00 PM

Zoom Conference Call
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Call to Order: 7:00 PM

Mission Statement: Graduate Students at the University of Oklahoma have a number of unique concerns and interests requiring a voice separate from the usual instruments that express the will of the faculty and of undergraduates. For this reason, the Graduate Student Senate of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association was established in 1987 to represent all Graduate Students and to serve their needs.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes: (minutes from previous meeting: (https://www.ou.edu/sga/branches/graduate-student-senate/agendas-and-minutes)

Motion to Approve: Senator Jones (71), seconded by Senator Owen II (39)

Officer Reports:

- Chair: Summer Edwards
    - We met with Dean Hughes and discussed the concerns brought up during our last meeting.
        - Course transfer clarification and course fees.
            - In general, you cannot transfer courses that have been dual counted for degrees. You also cannot count a master's credit to another master's degree. Also, a credit cannot be more than five years. Even after all of this, even if it does pass through requirements, it still gets sent to a department for approval.
        - Student concern for grad students paying course fees for undergraduate courses.
            - Graduate students get tuition waivers if you are at 0.5 FTE or above – this should include all courses required by your department to graduate.
            - If you have been charged a fee when on a 0.5 FTE, reach out to the graduate college.
    - Senator Callebs (70) – point of information
        - What if the undergraduate fees have been paid? Should we reach out?
            - Chair Edwards: Yes, I would still reach out! Use gradcollege@ou.edu
- Vice-Chair: Sam Jensen
    - Nothing new to report.
- Secretary: Benjamin Fellman
    - I will be sending out two forms tonight:
        - The first is the attendance form. In years past, we have not had a systematic way of recording attendance at meetings. Given that I am taking notes during meetings, it is hard to record attendance. As a result, we will now be sending a form during general body meetings during my report and announcements, so you have two opportunities to record your attendance. **You must submit this form in order to have your attendance recorded for a general meeting. This is tonight's form**: https://cglink.me/27E/s443

        - If you are a proxy, please send me a chat in case you are unable to complete this form.
        - The second is a committee tabling form: https://cglink.me/27E/s442 .
            - This is to record what your theme for your table will be for our event on Tuesday, October 27 from 6-7:30 PM. You can also record any materials that you may need for this event. Only one form per committee needs to be sent.
    - Also keep submitting your committee attendance and meeting notes!

Committee Reports: (submit your meeting minutes here)

- Academic Affairs: Report given by Senator Callebs (70)
    - Met after last meeting - talked about creating a survey for graduate students regarding the issue of reduced student visa timelines and the concern about graduate programs being reduced to four years.
        - Want to have input from students but in a way that they can do so safely without worrying about anyone internal or external to the University seeing their concerns.
            - Committee members are working on that right now.
    - Talking with Internal Affairs about making a survey regarding the cost of living for graduate students.
- Development & Philanthropy: Report given by Senator Bueltel (8)
    - Getting some philanthropy and fundraising events together.
        - Will let us know about dates and locations.
- External Affairs: Report given by Senator Jones (71)
    - Have results from the survey!
        - Results showed that the main concern students had is around affordability with food and rent.
        - Concerns about international students around visas also came up.
            - Will be working to have visualizations and statistics of these survey results to have for future meetings and for meetings at the Capitol.
        - Now researching important state legislatures and committees that they want to target.
- Internal Affairs: Report given by Senator Hamilton (66)
    - For the 10/27 Halloween event - it is now from 6-7:30 PM
        - Please use the form to submit your committee table theme!
            - We are doing a pumpkin patch where students can decorate pumpkins.
        - Chair Edwards: Please submit the form! We have a little funding so I will provide some things. If you need anything for the event, please let me know!
- International Student Affairs: Report given by Senator Tuli (37)
    - We are planning to have an informational session with an OU lawyer regarding the new visa changes.
        - We want to create a survey to know a little more about their concerns/questions that they want to ask the lawyer!
- Public Relations: Report given by Senator Chandra (17)
    - Made the flyer for the 10/27 event.
        - Please let us know if you need any other flyers!
- Sustainability: Report given by Senator Owen II (39)
    - At their last meeting, discussed the lack of recycling on campus for students in their dorms.
        - Will be reaching out to Facilities - have not heard back.

    - We want to help reduce waste by collecting food and furniture from dorms when students are moving out.
        - May coordinate with OU food pantry. I went into the food pantry and made a contact who stated that they are doing what we want to do!
    - Putting together initial ideas for our table at the event on 10/27.
- Ways and Means: Report given by Senator Esteva-Ingram (62)
    - Grading day will be Saturday, October 24th!
        - Likely will start at 9 AM - I will send an email once the details are finalized.
        - If you can get there a few minutes early, that would be great!
    - **Please bring a laptop or electronic device for grading day.**
        - Senator Young (72): What if we have a plan for that day already?
            - Senator Esteva-Ingram (62): Any senator outside of WAM does not have to show. **The incentive for attending this event is that if you are there for more than 2 hours, you will have an extra absence.**
        - Senator Djassi (25): I have a comps exam from 7-11 AM. If we start at 9 AM, how long will it take? I can help after if needed!
            - Senator Esteva-Ingram (62): If I were to guess, it would take 4-5 hours. They had over 100 applications last year, and 2 people graded each application. If you cannot come by, it is no worries! It should be in Dale Hall. Good luck with your exam!
            - Chair Edwards: Last year, we started grading at 8 or 9 AM and we were there until 2 or 3 PM. We do provide breakfast and lunch! I would guess that we will again be there on Saturday until 2-3 PM. Make sure to fill out the form even if you will be there for a few hours so I know how much food to order!

Student Concerns: N/A

Special Orders:

- **GF26-15:** Indigenous People's Day Resolution of 2026
    - Motion to see GF26-15 by Senator Keesling (34), seconded by Senator Owen II (39).
        - Author: This resolution is to acknowledge 10/12 as Indigenous People's Day. It is a day to promote and celebrate the history and culture of indigenous people. It is not a federally recognized holiday but was acknowledged by the government in 2021 as a day to replace Columbus Day. It recognizes to celebrate the indigenous people and communities in Oklahoma, and students on campus.
            - Author: 3.1-8.7 million Native Americans live in the United States are registered to tribes, including 1,193 students at University of Oklahoma.
    - Motion to pass GF26-15 by unanimous consent by Senator Keesling (34). No objections.
- **GF26-16:** Auxiliary Allocation 3 Act of 2026-2027
    - Motion to see GF26-16 by Senator Young (72), seconded by Senator Djassi (25).
        - Author not present.
    - Motion to table GF26-16 by Senator Young (72), seconded by Senator Keesling (34).

Old Business:

New Business:

- **GF26-13:** World Mental Health Day Resolution *(Do Pass)*
    - Motion to see GF26-13 by Senator Esteva-Ingram (62), seconded by Senator Owen II (39).

        - Author: World Mental Health Day is celebrated on 10/10 and began in 1992.
            - In Norman, we have an Out of Darkness walk, which is focused on suicide prevention.
            - Post pandemic, we had record high levels for many mental health issues.
                - These issues have persisted still for younger people.
            - We want to acknowledge progress in this topic and the struggles people still go through.
    - Motion to pass GF26-13 by unanimous consent by Senator Callebs (70). No objections.
- **GF26-14:** Parking Appeals Board Appointment Act of October 2026 *(Do Pass)*
    - Motion to see GF26-14 by Senator Owen II (39), seconded by Senator Schimmell (65).
        - Author: We nominated these candidates who went through an interview process with SGA leadership. They got confirmed through Congress, and we are now voting for their confirmation here!
    - Motion to pass GF26-14 by unanimous consent by Senator Esteva-Ingram (62). No objections.

Announcements:

- Senator Shoutouts
    - Secretary Fellman: Chair Edwards shouted out Senator Bueltel (8) for passing his general exam!
- Secretary Fellman: First let me resend the attendance form: https://cglink.me/27E/s443
    - **Please make sure you complete this form to have your attendance recorded for tonight's meeting!**
- Senator Lumula (48): Posted a flyer in the chat
    - Chili and Soup fundraiser on 10/27 from 11 AM – 1 PM.
        - Senator Djassi (25) is the VP, and I am the President of the RSO running this event. We wanted to see if anyone wanted to come to this event.
        - Senator Djassi (25): Since Senator Fullerton (2) is not here, she wanted to shoutout whoever made the form for the event on 10/27.

Special Orders

- **GF26-16:** Auxiliary Allocation 3 Act of 2026-2027
    - Motion to see GF26-16 by Senator Keesling (34), seconded by Senator Callebs (70).
        - Author: This is the third auxiliary bill being seen. We are currently going through other applications, but these are the ones that we have reviewed!
    - Motion to pass GF-26-16 via unanimous consent by Senator Young (72). No objections.

Adjournment: 7:38 PM

Motion to adjourn by Senator Esteva-Ingram (62), seconded by Senator Jones (71)

Attendance:

Senator #	Last Name	First Name	Department	9/3/2026	9/17/2026	10/1/2026	10/15/2026
1	Vargas	Daniel	Aerospace and mechanical engineering	Y	Y	Y	Y
2	Fullerton	Helen	Anthropology	Y	Y	Y	Y
3	Young	Skylar	Anthropology	Y	Y	Y	Y
4	Haghighi	Yousef	Architecture	Y	Y		Y
5	Thompson	Chandler	Architecture	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Arredondo	Eric	Biology (Biological Sciences)	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	Simon	Peniel	Biology (Bioloigical Sciences)	Y	Y	Y	Y
8	Bueltel	Brandon	Biomedical Engineering	Y	Y	Y	Y
9	Kapoor	Suryaveer	Biomedical Engineering	Y	Y	Y	Y
10	Ousley	James	Business Administration	Y	Y	Excused - proxy in attendance	Y
11	Razzaghi	Arian	Chemical, Biological, and Material Engineering	Y	Y		Y
12	Azari Torbat	Nasim	Chemical, Biological, and Material Engineering	Y	Y		Y
13	Long	Kole	Chemistry and Biochemistry	Y	Y	Y	Y
14	Islam	Zahidul	Civil Engineering and Environmental Science	Y	Y		Y
15	Muntasher	Khalida	Civil Engineering and Environmental Science	Y	Y	Y	Y
16	Ayogu	Ifesinachi	Communication	Y		Y	Y
17	Chandra	Subhash	Computer Science	Y	Y		Y
18	Giri	Shailendra	Construction Science	Y		Y	Y
19	Ibanez	Giselle	Construction Science	Y	Y		Y
20	Yerra	Sindhuja	Data Science and Analytics	Y	Y	Y	Y
21	Dulal	Ramesh	Economics	Y	Y	Y	Y
22	Gao	Ningjing	Economics		Y		Y
23	Engle	Matthew	Education Administration				Y
24	Minion	Laura	Education Administration		Y		Y
25	Djassi	Queen	Education Leadership and Policy Studies	Y	Y	Y	Y
26	McDaniels-Gomez	Patricia	Education Leadership and Policy Studies	Y	Y	Y	Y
27	Sadiku	Feyipitan	Education Psychology	Y	Y	Y	Y
28	Wise	Grayson	Education Psychology	Y	Y		Y
29	Aminpour	Sara	Electrical and Computer Engineering	Y	Y	Y	Y
30	Moncada Calmet	Luis Felipe	Electrical and Computer Engineering	Y	Y	Y	Y
31	Hache	Trosky	Engineering Leadership and Management	Y	Excused - proxy in attendance	Y	Y
32	Martin	Shane	Engineering Leadership and Management	Y	Y	Y	Y
33	Buffo	Noelle	English	Y	Y	Y	Y
34	Keesling	Carson	English	Y	Y	Y	Y
35	Eatmon	Christian	Finance	Y	Y		Y
36	Andoh	Bright	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	Y	Y	Y	Y
37	Tuli	Rajsree	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	Y	Y	Y	Y
38	Miller	Elisha	Geology and Geophysics	Y	Y	Y	Y
39	Owen II	Jimmy	Geology and Geophysics	Y	Y	Y	Y
40	Burroughs	Trenton	Health and Excersice Science	Y	Y	Y	Y
41	Sini	Yakubu	Health and Excersice Science	Y	Y		Y
42	Cunningham	Hope	History	Y	Y	Y	Y
43	LeFave	KJ	History	Y	Y	Y	Y
44	Lamirand	Elijah	History of Science Technology and Medicine	Y	Y		Y
45	Muriithi	Julia	Human Relations	Y	Y	Y	Y
46	Karnail	Vibha	Industrial Systems Engineering	Y	Y	Y	Y
47	Palit	Tanmoy	Industrial Systems Engineering	Y	Y	Y	Y
48	Lumula	Harriet	Instr Leadership and Acad Curr	Y	Y	Y	Y
49	Price	Kacy	Instr Leadership and Acad Curr	Y	Y	Y	Y
50	Azizi	Shiva	Interior Design	Y	Y	Y	Y
51	Martin	Kaley	Interior Design	Y	Y	Y	Y
52	Akinro	Victoria	International & Area Studies	Y	Y	Y	Y
53	Givan	MaKenzie	Journalism and Mass Communications	Y	Y	Y	Y
54	Khan	Arslan	Journalism and Mass Communications	Y	Y	Y	Excused - proxy in attendance
55	Dransfield	Jake	Landscape Architecture	Y		Y	Y
56	Kistler	Anallely	Landscape Architecture	Y	Y	Y	Y
57	Hammock	Julia	Law	Y	Excused - proxy in attendance	Y	Y
58	Minear	Sydney	Law	Y	Y	Y	Y
59	Nazari	Mahdieh	Library and Information Studies	Y	Y	Y	Y
60	Elima	Emmanuel	Mathematics	Y	Y		Y
61	Thummala	Vamsi	Mathematics	Y	Y	Y	Y
62	Esteva-Ingram	Tatiana	Meteorology	Y	Y	Y	Y
63	Rogers	Ashley	Modern Languages, Literaturese, and Linguistics	Y	Y	Y	Y
64	Bissonnette	Jacob	Music	Y	Y	Y	Y
65	Schimmell	Alison	Music	Y	Y	Y	Y
66	Hamilton	Kiana	Native American Studies	Y	Y	Y	Y
67	Rufus	Deborah	Petroleum and Geological Engineering	Y	Y	Y	Y
68	Burnham-Fleck	William	Philosophy	Y	Y	Y	Y
69	George	Micah	Philosophy	Y	Y	Y	Y
70	Callebs	Jacob	Physics & Astronomy	Y	Excused - proxy in attendance	Y	Y
71	Jones	Alexis	Political Science	Y	Y	Y	Y
72	Young	Kristina	Political Science	Y	Y	Y	Y
73	Moore	Elijah	Psychology	Y	Y	Y	Y
74	Waldron	Megan	Psychology	Y	Y	Y	Y
75	Carroll	Ian	Public Administration	Y	Y	Y	Y
76	Winston	Corey	Public Administration	Y	Y		Y
77	Bonsu	Harriet	Regional & City Planning				Y
78	Zafari	Tara	Regional & City Planning	Y		Y	Y
79	Hunt	Reagan	Sociology	Y	Y	Y	Y
80	Wiser	Sally	Sociology	Y	Y	Y	Y
81	Catalano	Travis	Visual Arts	Y	Y	Y	Y
82	Romero	Isaac	Women and Gender Studies	Y	Y		Y
83	Manje	Dasplang	Chemistry biochemistry	Excused		Y	Y
84	Borges	Alma	Dance	Excused	Y	Y	Y
85	Robinson (Aboba)	Casandra (Mathias)	Communication	Excused	Y	Y	Y
86	Perez Segura	Alejandro	Modern Languages, Literaturese, and Linguistics	Excused	Excused	Y	Y

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SENATE SESSION GF26
October 14, 2026

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-116-07
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF26-15

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution acknowledging October 12th as Indigenous Peoples' Day; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: Indigenous Peoples' Day is celebrated on October 12th; and

Whereas: Indigenous Peoples Day is used to promote and celebrate the history and culture of Native Americans; and

Whereas: Indigenous Peoples Day is not an official federal holiday, but there have been efforts across the nation to have this day as a national holiday; and

Whereas: The United States Government first recognized Indigenous Peoples Day in 2021[1]; and

Whereas: This day recognizes the historical trauma caused by colonialism and the enslavement of Indigenous Peoples across the Americas; and

Whereas: Indigenous Peoples Day recognizes and celebrates the native cultures that are still present today after hundreds of years of assimilation and oppression[2]; and

Whereas: Today the United States has approximately 3.1-8.7 million people registered with a tribal nation[3]; and

[1] Little, Becky. "Indigenous Peoples Day." *History.com,* 6, October 2026, https://www.history.com/articles/indigenous-peoples-day-history.
[2] "Unlearning Columbus Day Myths: Celebrating Indigenous People's Day." *National Museum of the American Indian,* 30, October 2020, https://americanindian.si.edu/nk360/informational/columbus-day-myths.
[3] "The Indigenous World 2024: United States of America." *International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs*, 2016, www.iwgia.org/en/

Whereas: The state of Oklahoma has an estimated population of 566,000 Native Americans[4]; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma (Norman campus) has 1,193 Native American students[5]; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the "Indigenous Peoples Day Resolution of 2026."

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association shall recognize October 12th as Indigenous Peoples Day.

Section 3: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association shall recognize and honor the Native American students at the University of Oklahoma in addition to their culture and heritage.

Section 4: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association shall recognize and honor that the University of Oklahoma resides on traditional Native American land.

Section 5: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages the student body to participate in the Tipi Setup, Breakfast and Tribal Flag Setup, the Tribal Celebration Walk, Welcome and Opening Prayer, Cedaring Ceremony, Lunch and Learn, Tipi Take Down, Workshops and Stickball game, and the Community Dinner hosted by the American Indian Student Association on October 12th.

Section 6: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Joseph Harroz Jr., President, University of Oklahoma
- Dr. David Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
- The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Quy Nguyen, Director of Student Life Office and Assistant Dean of Students
- Ryan Lee, Coordinator of American Indian Programs and Services
- Tana Fitzpatrick, Director of Native Nations Center
- Georgia Harjo, President, OU American Indian Student Association
- OU Daily
- OU Nightly

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[4] "Native American Population by State 2026." *World Population Review*, 2024, worldpopulationreview.com/state-rankings/native-american-population.

[5] "Student Populations by Race at Oklahoma Colleges." *College Tuition Compare*, www.collegetuitioncompare.com/amp/statistics/student-population-by-race/?state=OK.

Author(s): Lilith Thompson, Arts and Sciences Representative
Lucy Perez, Associate

Co-Sponsor(s): Lorelai Radzanowski, Human Diversity Chair

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Radzanowski seconded Representative Cox
Action taken by Congress: Passed unanimously 28-0-0
Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by: Senator Keesling, seconded by Senator Owen II
Action taken by Senate: Passed via unanimous consent
Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-116-03
SENATE BILL NO. GS26-16

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2025-2026 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Auxiliary Allocation 3 Act of 2026-2027"

Section 2: PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.

Section 3: APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to

Organization	**Programs, Events & Activities**	**Capital Investments**	**Office and General Expenses**	**Total**
East African Alliance	$140.00			$140.00
Pre-Medical Club	$350.00			$350.00
OU Real Estate Club	$300.00			$300.00
Hispanic American Student Association	$2,300.00			$2,300.00
Christian Grads Fellowship	$150.00			$150.00
Garden of Knowledge Children's Organization	$150.00			$150.00
Caribbean Students Association	$150.00			$150.00
Women in Business Association	$300.00			$300.00

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Sigma Gamma Epsilon	$150.00			$150.00
Psychology Graduate Student Association	$480.00			$480.00
Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences Student Chapter	$150.00			$150.00
Alpha Kappa Delta Phi International Sorority, Inc.	$100.00			$100.00
Health Empowerment and Access through Learning		$150.00		$150.00
Health and Exercise Science Student Association	$300.00			$300.00
Global Brigades	$300.00			$300.00
Price Professional Sales Club		$150.00		$150.00
OU Tennis Club		$300.00	$190.00	$490.00
Little Hearts Alliance	$250.00			$250.00
Oklahoma Weather Lab	$500.00			$500.00
National Association of Black Journalists	$150.00			$150.00
Global Corner	$150.00			$150.00
Dhamaka	$150.00			$150.00
Management Information Systems Student Association	$150.00			$150.00
Norman Rotaract Club	$150.00			$150.00
Baccano Italian Club	$500.00			$500.00
			TOTAL:	$8,130.00

Section 4: All guidelines and provisions in Title 10 of the Code Annotated shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

Section 5: This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 8, 2027.

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 8, 2027 and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

Section 7: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Michael Wintory, Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee

Co-Author(s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a Motion by:
Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by: Senator Keesling, seconded by Senator Callebs
Action taken by Senate: Passed via unanimous consent
Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF26
October 15, 2026

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-116-06
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF26-13

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution of acknowledgement of the importance and appreciation for World Mental Health Day and providing for distribution.

Whereas: World Mental Health Day, celebrated annually on October 10th, was established in 1992 to promote awareness, advocacy, and education around mental health issues worldwide and has since evolved into a global initiative that supports advancements in mental health services through events and campaigns held across the globe[1]; and.

Whereas: World Mental Health Day is recognized in more than 150 countries, with governments, hospitals, universities, charities, and workplaces coming together each year under a shared theme developed by both the World Federation for Mental Health (WFMH) and the World Health Organization (WHO) to promote mental health awareness and advocacy worldwide[2]; and

Whereas: Oklahoma observes World Mental Health Day to remind Oklahomans of the importance of mental health, with a strong emphasis on suicide prevention, while encouraging community members, employers, and organizations to participate in workshops, events, and discussions that promote awareness, education, and support for mental well-being[3]; and

Whereas: Norman, Oklahoma, recognizes mental health awareness through the Out of the Darkness Norman Walk, an event held annually in the weeks leading up to World Mental Health Day that brings community members together to raise awareness of

mental health, support suicide prevention efforts, and honor those affected by suicide, with this year's walk taking place on September 27th; and

Whereas: Among college students, severe symptoms of depression dropped from 23% in 2022 to 18%[4]; and

Whereas: College students are in the third consecutive year of mental health improvements following the pandemics record-breaking highs; and

Whereas: More than half of college students received professional mental health treatment at some point in grades K-12[5]; and

Whereas: 19.1 percent of Oklahoma high school students said they had seriously considered attempting suicide within the last 12 months[6]; and

Whereas: Despite 3 quarters of college students trusting campus counseling, less than 20% have received treatment on campus[7]; and

Whereas: More than one third of college students report having little to no connection with their residential community.[8]

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the "World Mental Health Day Resolution."

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association recognizes October 10th as World Mental Health Day.

Section 3: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Joseph Harroz Jr, OU President
- Goddard Counseling Center
- Mental Health Counseling Student Association
- OUr Mental Health
- Black Men's Mental Health Club
- OU Daily

- OU Nightly
- Stem in the Sun

Authors: Layla Broeker, Associate
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Co-Sponsor: Lorelai Radzanowski, Human Diversity Chair

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Radzanowski seconded by Representative Cox
Action taken by Congress: Passed unanimously 31-0-0
Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by: Senator Esteva-Ingram, seconded by Senator Owen II
Action taken by Senate: Passed via unanimous consent
Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-116-10
SENATE BILL GF26-14

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure appointing judges to the Student Parking Appeals Board; providing for short title, providing for codification, and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Parking Appeals Board Appointment Act of October 2026 ."

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to name and appoint judges for the Student Parking Appeals Board.

Section 3: In accordance with SGACA Title IV, Chapter 4, section 2, "Judges of the Student Parking Appeals Board shall be appointed by the SGA President.
The following shall be Judges on the Parking Appeals Board:

- Jackson Dunham
- Sitara Popal
- Thomas Duncan
- Tegan Richardson
- Blake-Lee Green
- Kaden Williams
- Derek Campbell
- Omar Serje

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

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